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SUBJECT: VISA FOR JOSEPH KRAFT

REF.: RIYADH 63

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SOBER

1. KRAFT HAS BEEN INFORMED AND EXPRESSED GREAT APPRECIATION FOR YOUR HELP.

2. FOLLOWING IS KRAFT'S ITINERARY: ISRAEL 3/22-3/26; JORDAN 3/26-3/27; LEBANON 3/27-4/1; SYRIA 3/27-4/1 (AS RECEIVED); OMAN 4/1-4/5; UAE 4/5-4/8; BAHRAIN 4/8-4/9; QATAR 4/9-4/10; KUWAIT 4/10-4/12; IRAN 4/12-4/16; IRAQ 4/16-4/18. KRAFT PLANS TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA AFTER VISIT TO IRAQ.

3. APPEARS THAT BEST PLACE FOR KRAFT TO PICK UP SAUDI
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VISA WOULD BE IN BEIRUT. (KRAFT SAID HE WOULD APPRECIATE

EMBASSY BEIRUT'S HELP IN THAT MATTER, AND YOU MIGHT HAVE THAT IN MIND WHEN YOU ARE READY TO INFORM BEIRUT OF THIS MATTER.) IF BY SOME CHANCE VISA NOT AVAILABLE BY TIME KRAFT IS IN BEIRUT, FALLBACK WOULD BE FOR HIM TO PICK IT UP IN TEHRAN.

4. KRAFT SAID HE WOULD KEEP YOU INFORMED OF HIS SPECIFIC SAUDI TRAVEL PLANS. MEANWHILE, HE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH OUR EMBASSIES AT ALL STOPS AND YOU WOULD BE ABLE TO REACH HIM THROUGH THEM. INGERSOLL

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